

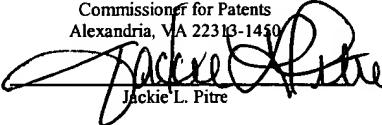
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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application No.: 09/841,302  
Confirmation No.: 4731  
Filing Date: April 24, 2001  
Inventors: de Rouffignac et al.  
Title: IN SITU THERMAL  
PROCESSING OF A  
HYDROCARBON  
CONTAINING FORMATION  
USING HEAT SOURCES  
POSITIONED WITHIN OPEN  
WELLBORES

§ Examiner: J. J. Kreck  
§ Art Unit: 3673  
§ Atty. Dkt. No.: 5659-08200/EBM

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**REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION**

(under 37 CFR § 1.114)

This is a request for continued examination under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of application number 09/841,302, filed on April 24, 2001, entitled IN SITU THERMAL PROCESSING OF A HYDROCARBON CONTAINING FORMATION USING HEAT SOURCES POSITIONED WITHIN OPEN WELLBORES.

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Assignee:	Shell Oil Company
Correspondence Address in Prior Application:	Del Christensen Shell Oil Company P.O. Box 2463 Houston, Texas 77252-2463
Art Unit:	3673
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**Application Elements**

1.  Filing Fee

A Fee Authorization Form authorizing a deposit account debit for the RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) is enclosed.

2.  Information Disclosure Statements (IDS)

3. Amendments

An amendment is enclosed.

Enter the unentered amendment previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_ under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116.

Please consider the arguments in the response filed on \_\_\_\_\_ under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116.

Please consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief filed on \_\_\_\_\_.

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5.  Petition under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 for Extension of Time

6.  Return Receipt Postcard

If any extension of time (under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136) is necessary to prevent the above referenced application from becoming abandoned, the appropriate extension of time is requested.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any other fees which may be required or credit any overpayment to Meyertons, Hood, Kivlin, Kowert & Goetzel, P.C., Deposit Account No. 50-1505/5659-08200/EBM.

Respectfully submitted,



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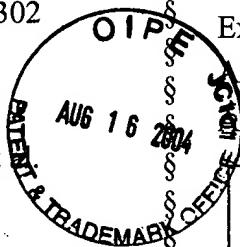
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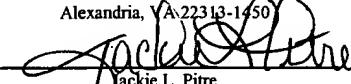
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FEE AUTHORIZATION

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Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the following fees to Shell Oil Co.

Deposit Account Number 19-1800/TH2007:

1. Request for Continued Examination Fee \$770.00

TOTAL AMOUNT: **\$770.00**

The Commissioner is also authorized to charge any extension fee or other fees that may be necessary to the same account number. If the above-mentioned account is found to have insufficient funds, the Commissioner is authorized to charge Meyertons, Hood, Kivlin, Kowert & Goetzl, P.C. Deposit Account Number 50-1505/5659-08200/EBM.

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